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For: MATERIAL SUPPLY STRIP,  
SYSTEM, AND METHOD OF  
APPLYING PIECES OF  
MATERIAL TO OBJECTS

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**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2003, please amend the  
application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks responsive to the Office Action begin on page 3 of this paper.

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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the paragraph spanning lines 5 to 11 of page 14 of the application as follows:

C/ The supply strip 4 initially includes a backing 5 having a first surface 104 and a second surface 106. The first and second surfaces 104, 106 initially have labels 7, 6, respectively, removably adhered thereon. The labels 7, 6 are shown as being uniformly spaced along the backing 5 and being substantially uniform in shape and size. One of ordinary skill in the art would recognize, however, that the invention could be ~~practices~~ practiced with labels having many different configurations (e.g., different size, different shape, different labeling information).

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